



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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SERVING THE COMMUNITIES OF:

Tome, Adelino, La Ladera, Las Maravillas, Pasitos del Cielo,
La Constancia, Tavalopa, El Cerro Mission South, Casa Colorada,
Salomon Estates, San Fernandez and Rio Communities

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Saturday (Closed Mondays)
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Martha Sanchez, DRE, (505) 865-4220
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MASS SCHEDULES

SATURDAY

5:30 P.M. MASS in ENGLISH

SUNDAY

8:00 A.M. MASS in SPANISH

10:00 A.M. MASS in ENGLISH

WEEKDAYS

9:00 A.M. MASS TUESDAY – FRIDAY

Casa Colorada Mission 12:00 noon

Every 4th Sunday of the Month

CONFESSIONS

4:00 P.M. Saturdays in the Chapel or by
Appointment

BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday
starting December 3rd after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Holy Hour at
11:00 am followed by Benediction at 12:00 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In order for children to be enrolled in the CCD program it is
necessary that the parents/guardians be registered.

All students must attend Mass regularly.

SACRAMENTS ADULT INITIATION (RCIA)

Process of Initiation for non-baptized individuals, Christians of
other faiths wishing to become Catholic, Catholics who have not
received Holy Communion, or Confirmation and for Catholics
who are interested in deepening their faith.

SPECIAL SACRAMENTS (RCIC)

Process of initiation into the Catholic Church for baptized children under
the age of 15 and children over the age of 8 who have not yet received
their first Holy Communion.

CONFIRMATION

Contact the CCD office.

HOLY COMMUNION

Children must have completed the two year preparation process to enter
the Sacramental class in the third grade.

MARRIAGE

For registered parishioners 1) Interview with parish priest six months
before the wedding. 2) Diocesan marriage preparation program.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish office to make arrangements for the Sacrament
of Baptism. Registration of three months required.

CARE OF THE SICK

For Holy Communion and Anointing, for seriously ill or homebound
parishioners, please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

MINISTRY OFFICERS:

Finance Council Chairperson: Anna Moya Troyer

Parish Council Chairperson: Victoria Zamora

Lectors: Theresa Johnson

Extraordinary Ministers
of the Eucharist

Anthony Furnari

Eucharist to Homebound:

Youth Altar Servers:

Tanisha Mora Gutierrez

Adult Altar Servers:

Lawrence Johnson

Music 5:30 p.m.:

Ron Vigil

8:00 a.m.:

Monica Padilla

10:00 a.m.:

Angela Norman

10:00 a.m. (1st Sun)

John Duran (Youth Choir)

Park:

Ramon Torres

Cemetery:

Flavio Perea

SVDP:

Erica Chavez

Flowers:

Angela Norman

Knights of Columbus:

Dominic Villella

Mayordomos: 5:30 p.m. Ambrose & Jeanette Padilla

8:00 a.m. Adrian & Maria Delgado

10:00 a.m. Aaron & Melanie Hahn

CC:


12:00 p.m. Ramon & Carmelita Baca

Mission Statement

*Our faith-family of Immaculate Conception and
its rich history and traditions, invite all Catholics
to help them grow and mature as faithful followers
of Jesus Christ.*

February 20, 2022
First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
Psalm: 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS
 2/22: RCIA 6:00 pm
 2/22: Youth Choir
 2/23: Bible Study 6:00 pm



Mon. Feb 21 - No Service

Tue. Feb 22 +Dominic Mora by William and Sandra Mora
 9:00 am +Larry Castillo by Gloria Castillo
 For the Health of Marcella Silva by Lucille and Willie

Wed. Feb 23
 9:00 am +Berthila Madrid by Madrid Family
 Holiness for Sandra Johnson
 +Michael Gabaldon by Mom and Family

Thu. Feb 24
 9:00 am +Lynn Davis by John and Ramona Sais
 +For the Health of Susan and Chris Baca by Lucille Otero
 +Lee Ruzicka by Robert Mattman Family

Fri. Feb 25
 9:00 am +Marta Rincon by John and Ramona Sais
 +Betty Martinez by Lucille Otero
 For the Health of Yvonne Sanchez by Jacob Sanchez & Family

Sat. Feb 26
 5:30 +Alejandrina Saavedra (Birthday Blessings) by M/M Ambrose Padilla
 +Adriana Foster by M/M David Catuccio
 +Loretta Perea by Brigitta Hodge

Sun. Feb 27
 8:00 am +Pablo and +Concepcion Torres by M/M Robert Sanchez
 +Tillie (Tia) Baca by M/M Robert Sanchez
 Fr Jose Hernandez, Fr Michael Demkovich by M/M Jay Kortsch
 For Souls of Deceased Priests of Tome by M/M Jay Kortsch


10:00 am For the Health of Michelle Janifer Gonzalez by M/M Leslie Wallace
 +William Terry Ulibarri by Vicky Ulibarri
 Holiness for Andres Hadder by M/M David Catuccio
 Immaculate Conception Parishioners



With compassion and concern, we offer our prayers for our community and especially for the sick of our parish:
 Eliana Alderete, Martin Alderete, Chance Apodaca, Joe S. Aragon, Jaime Armendariz, Annette Baca, Eddie Baca, Jeff Baca, Michelle Baca, Antoinette Bencomo, Jayne Best, Luga Calles, Gloria Castillo, Helen Chavez, Joseph Cook, Ernestine Cordova, Roselyn Cordova, Mary Crespín, Renee DeBaca, Flora Eylicio, Ernest Fresquez, Maria Garcia, Yolanda Gallegos, Patricia Gardner, Dolly Glass, Joel Gutierrez, Isabel Jacquez, Allen Kenyon, Eileen Krug, Diana Lara, David Lopez, Robert Frank Lopez, Dayna Lozano, Rita Lozano, Abel Lueras, Dayjah Lueras, Sally Lynch, Aryel Maldonado, Anna Marie, Connie Marquez, Prudencio Marquez, Manuel Montoya, Waylon Moore, Chester Moya, Phil Moya, Charli Orgas, Jose C. Ortega, Conrado Otero, Tonia Pena, Gene Perez, Freddie Peralta, Erlinda Rael, Herman Rael, Jose Rael, Benjamin Rispoli, Ray Rivera, Dennis Rodriguez, Connie Rodriguez, Eduardo Rodriguez, Nicario Romero, Steve Romero, Virginia "Jennie" Romero, Michelle Ruiz, Anthony Salcido, Isaiah Sanchez, Mariah Sanchez, Marty D. Sanchez, Proceso Sanchez, Tamara Sanchez, Michael Sandoval, Alex Santacruz, Mara Segal, Marcella Silva, James Sneed, William "Bill" Taylor, Jose Luis Villa
Please call the office to add or remove a name. Thank you.

COVID-19 POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS
 The Archdiocese continues to follow the NM Public Health Order and those requirements listed in the November 18, 2021, *Policies for the Prevention and Control of COVID-19 in New Mexico* from the NM Department of Health and protocols from the New Mexico Environment Department. As noted in the letters of July 9, 2021 and September 3, 2021 parishes are highly encouraged to consider and prioritize virtual of at-home Faith Formation. Should a parish, however, desire to continue with in-person/gathered Faith Formation, all diligence and prudence with regard to the protocols must be followed in order to keep everyone safe. Remote learning (non-gathered/virtual) methods are to be made available to the families, particularly if parents have concerns or are fearful about sending their child to in-person classes.

Collections:
 2/13/22: Reg: \$2,928.00 Loose: \$475.65
 Bldg. Fund: \$650.00 SVDP: \$200.00



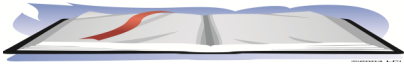
Counters:
 2/20: Melissa, Frances, Melanie
 2/27: Sandra, Norma, MaryAnn
 3/6: Kristy, Mary Ann 03/13: Leeanna, Sylvia, Andy
 3/20: Melissa, Frances, Melanie 3/27: Sandra, Norma, Mary Ann
 Online Giving the easy way to keep current with your envelopes; sign on to online giving on the website.

JOB OPENINGS
 As some of you may know Martha Sanchez, after many years of service, has let me know that she wishes to step down after this year. So that means we will be looking for a person to serve as part-time in the position of Director of Faith Formation. I have also spoken with the Finance Council and I am hopeful we will be able to hire an additional part-time person to serve as Director of Worship. These two positions are key to parish life because like the Eucharist they embrace both Word and Sacrament. If you are interested please contact the Parish office.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION
 Evenings for the Engaged. Couples must attend the whole weekend. The cost is \$85.00 per couple. Please visit www.familylifem.org to register for one of the events. Dates are as follows for 2022:
 May 27—29
 August 26—28
 November 11—13
ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS
 The following dates have been scheduled for 2022:
 March 4—6
 June 3—5
 September 23—25

Notes from our Pastor:
 Dear Friends,
 I am delighted to be home with you all, with a community I've come to love so much. There are many exciting things happening so please be sure to read the bulletin. Also if you've not signed up to receive the "Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Email Express," which is sent via email to you, please sign up. Call the office and let them know, also help us update your information with any changes the past year. This email allows me to share with you much more than I can in the bulletin.
 This Sunday and for the next three weeks we will have the consultation sessions for the Synod. I encourage you to please sign up for one of these sessions. This is such an important moment where we can sense the Holy Spirit at work and your voice is needed. God Bless.
 Father Michael

The Archdiocese of Santa Fe entered into Chapter 11 Reorganization during the first week of December 2018. The utmost concern is for the victims of abuse. Our prayers are with them. The Annual Catholic Appeal Foundation is not part of the Chapter 11 filing. ACA is separately incorporated and funding is not available for legal claims. ACA remains a significant source of funding for the ministries and services of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe throughout this process and beyond. Christ's loving work must endure through this. Thank you for continuing to support these efforts.



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense. When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled. After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too? Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "no way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint. And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy. Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust: "Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God. Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world.



Question: When Jesus says, "You cannot serve both God and mammon," what does he mean? What is mammon?

Answer: When you hear Scripture proclaimed each Sunday, remember it wasn't originally written in English. Hebrew, Greek—these ancient tongues were the original language of our Old and New Testaments. Most of the time, all of the words are translated into our native language. Sometimes, a word or two is left in the original language. Such is the case in this Scripture passage.

Mammon, is an ancient Aramaic word referring to money, wealth, or profit. Earthly wealth isn't bad in itself, nor does it automatically exclude us from being a disciple of Jesus. But what dominates our life? To serve money—that is, to seek accumulation of wealth for its own sake and to structure our lives around it—is morally problematic. What good is our wealth if it isn't at the service of others? What good is our wealth if its pursuit leads us to selfishness, obsession, greed, envy, and comparison? There are many things that can be opposed to our service of God—power, prestige, popularity. Ultimately, something in our lives will be our master. But there is only one God worth serving.



Sale of church properties:
Phase II of the properties to be sold will be on November 2021. To register to bid online before the auction begins, for more information on the properties, and terms and conditions of the sale, go directly to the auction website at www.ASFbankruptcyauction.com. The auction company is SVN Auctions Services, LLC; 954-931-0592.

Schedules:**Youth Altar Servers:**

2/26: 5:30 p.m. — Lainey Racette, Anistacia Aragon, Robert Benitez, Elena Benitez
2/27: 10:00 a.m. — Matthew Chavez, Monique Chavez, Adrian Chavez, Dani Rae Zamora

Adult Altar Server:

2/27: 8:00 a.m.— Marianne Holmes

Lectors:

2/26: 5:30 p.m.— Priscilla Mattman
2/27: 8:00 a.m. — Lucille Otero
2/27: 10:00 a.m. — Kamryn Duenas

Eucharistic Ministers:

2/26: 5:30 p.m. — Natalie Trujillo
2/27: 8:00 a.m. — Eileen Chavez
2/27: 10:00 a.m.— John Duran

Preparacion Matrimonial en Español— 23 y 24 de abril. Para mas informacion llame al 505-831-8147 o becera@archdiosf.org. El formulario para inscribirse se encuentra en el siguiente enlace: <https://form.jotform.com/212585009064150>. Invitamos a todas las parejas que se estan preparando para recibir el Sacramento de Matrimonio. La cooperacion para este retiro virtual es de \$50 por pareja.

"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do', but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple."

"A menudo asumimos que la paternidad o la maternidad suceden fácilmente, pero para muchas parejas casadas no es así. En algunas, la alegría de la concepción nunca llega. Otras sufren repetidos abortos espontáneos. Otras sufren infertilidad secundaria... Si ustedes atraviesan dificultades para traer un hijo a su familia, sepan que no están solos. Dios tiene un hermoso plan para su vida como pareja casada."

ARCHDIOCESE WORKSHOP—ABUSE AWARENESS

IMPORTANT: For several years we have urged all of our members who are in a ministry to take the class on "Protecting God's Children". Many have not done so. The Archdiocese of Santa Fe mandates that this class be taken. This is for your protection. Please do not let this next year go by without taking this class. If you feel that there is a reason that you are unable or care to take the class, please call the office; otherwise we expect you to comply. It takes only 45 minutes to take the class online. In order to be in a ministry or volunteer in any capacity, this is mandatory.

OUR PARISH

Telephone : (505) 865-7495. Meetings are held every 4th Thursday of the month unless otherwise noted. Food distribution is on Wednesday beginning at 10:00 and Saturday beginning at 11:00. Requests must be called in before the days of distribution. Phone messages are accessed daily and responded to within 24 hours.

The Knights of Columbus meet on the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. They start by praying the Rosary at 6:30. If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus Padre Pio Council 10629 in Tome, please contact Domonic Vilella, at (505) 550-0755.

Divine Mercy meets each Thursday after Daily Mass in the Classroom. Join them in praying the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

For anyone interested in joining the Legion of Mary, we meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. The Legion of Mary would like to have the Pilgrim Virgin visit the homes of parishioners or anyone interested in having her for a week. Please contact Cecilia at 859-0547 or 864-7182 or Clara at 865-8488.

The Youth Choir practice is on the last two Wednesdays of the month. Practice will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Church.



First Friday Blessed Sacrament Devotions. Hours for Exposition—After 9:00 am Mass until Noon. Holy Hour at 11:00 a.m. Benediction at 12:00 noon. There will be a sign-up sheet at the front entrance of the church. Please sign up early. Someone must be present at all times during the Exposition.